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TO: Minerals File

FROM: Tom Munson, Reclamation Hydrologist *TM*

RE: Site Inspection, Mark Johnson's Utah Septarian Nodules, Tetla Mine, S/025/006, Kane County, Utah

Date of Inspection: Thursday, November 7, 1996

Time of Inspection: 4:00 p.m.

Participants: Tom Munson, DOGM

Purpose of Inspection: To evaluate the site

Looking at reclamation after the first year, the majority of the area that was reseeded last year by Rex Harris and Mark Johnson is pretty much all thistle now. There is some evidence of grasses here but they look pretty brown and dried up. As a whole, I would say that the vegetation is not doing very well, and we will have to wait another year or two to see what happens.

The area that is still unreclaimed is the two pits and the hole that Mike Caruso and Mark Johnson have left, totaling about four acres of unreclaimed area. If you add in the additional acreage for vegetation, it probably makes this area close to 9-10 acres that Mark Johnson is still responsible for.

The next area in question on this particular permit was the area called the Dog Leg located by Rex Harris's claim. That was the other part of this permit. In talking to Shawn Harris, Bob Harris's son, Bob Harris wants to obtain a portion of Mark Johnson's permit. Harris's would then be the responsible party for that portion of the permit. They not only have to do the transfer with us, but will have to work it out with the BLM.

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